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In the matter of

AMENDMENT OF PART 22 OF THE
COMMISSION'S RULES PERTAINING
TO POWER LIMITS FOR PAGING
STATIONS OPERATING IN THE 931
MHZ BAND IN THE PUBLIC LAND
MOBILE SERVICE

CC Docket No. 93-116

To: The Commission

REPLY COMMENTS

1. Metromedia Paging Services, Inc. ("MPS"), by its attorney, hereby files its reply comments in support of commenters who recommend that the Commission adopt its proposed rules in the above-captioned proceeding which would increase the maximum effective operating power of paging stations operating in the 931 MHz band pursuant to Part 22 of the Commission's Rules, 47 U.S.C. Section 22.1, et seq. Specifically, MPS supports the Commission's proposal to permit stations to operate at up to 3500 watts power at any height.

2. MPS is one of the largest common carrier providers of paging service in the United States and operates hundreds of 931 MHz band stations in over 70 MSAs in 20 states. Over its 931 MHz band facilities, MPS offers numerous types of messaging services including a broad array of numeric and alphanumeric services. As a result of its experience in 900 MHz operations, MPS is highly qualified to reply to comments in this proceeding.

3. MPS, as a member of Telocator, fully endorsed Telocator's comments in this proceeding. As Telocator indicates, the proposed rules will provide 931 MHz band licensees the flexibility necessary to construct and operate wide-area and regional paging systems. The proposed rule change will not only reduce costs to paging licensees and provide better quality service to the public, but it will also lessen the burden on the Commission's resources. Since increases in output power will permit paging operators to use fewer

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transmitters, less applications will be filed for the Commission's staff to process.

~~With the notable exception of all comments submitted to~~

there is some potential for interference from 3500 watt operations at the edge of the 932 MHz band, it can condition grant of the sole 931 MHz channel located along the edge to be operated on a non-interference basis..